MEETING DATE: 10/06/2020

ITEM NO: 1

# Minutes of the Town Council Meeting September 15, 2020

The Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos conducted a regular meeting via Teleconference via COVID-19 Shelter in Place Guidelines on September 15, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

### MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Marcia Jensen, Vice Mayor Barbara Spector, Council Member Rob Rennie,

Council Member Marico Sayoc. (All participating remotely).

Absent: None

# **COUNCIL/TOWN MANAGER REPORTS**

### **Council Matters**

- Council Member Rennie stated he attended Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Board,
   Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Governance and Audit Committee, Conceptual
   Advisory Committee, and Santa Clara Valley Clean Energy Board meetings.
- Council Member Sayoc stated she attended the League of California Cities (LOCC) Board meeting and the Saturday calls with Santa Clara County Supervisors regarding the pandemic.
- Vice Mayor Spector stated she attended the West Valley Solid Waste Management
  Authority Board meeting, West Valley Clean Water Authority Board meeting, General Plan
  Advisory Committee (GPAC) meeting, Police Reform Community Workshop, and Santa
  Clara County Health Department COVID-19 phone conferences.
- Mayor Jensen stated she attended the Police Reform Community Workshop, General Plan Advisory Committee (GPAC) meeting, and Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Policy Advisory Committee Meeting.

#### **Manager Matters**

- Announced the community conversation workshop series will continue with a discussion on affordable housing on Tuesday, September 29 and another meeting is planned for late October regarding community culture. All community conversation workshops will take place via Zoom and details can be found on the Town website.
- Announced the Town's Boards and Commissions recruitment is open and applications are due November 6.
- Announced Library Curbside Pickup is taking place Monday through Saturday. The library may close early due to poor air quality and encouraged community members that have request a curbside library pick-up call prior to picking up their orders.

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## CONSENT ITEMS (TO BE ACTED UPON BY A SINGLE MOTION)

- 1. Approve Draft Minutes of the September 1, 2020 Town Council Meeting.
- 2. Adopt a Resolution Rescinding Resolution 2018-045 and Amending the Appendices to the Town Conflict of Interest Code, Chapter 2, Article III, Division 4. **RESOLUTION 2020-038**
- 3. Authorize the Town Manager to Execute a Five-Year Agreement for Services with St. Francis Electric, Inc. to Provide Traffic Signal and Streetlight Maintenance, and Underground Service Alert (USA) Marking Services in an Amount Not to Exceed \$135,000 Annually, for a Total Agreement Amount Not to Exceed \$675,000.
- 4. Continue Local Emergency Proclamation.

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Sayoc to approve Consent Items 1-4. Seconded by Vice Mayor Spector.

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

### **VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Rob Stump

 Requested the Council establish an ad hoc wildfire prevention committee, expedite the roadside fire fuel reduction, conduct defensible space inspections of structures and homes in high-fire danger areas, and conduct emergency evacuation drills of the hillside neighborhoods.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

5. Consider the Los Gatos Chamber of Commerce Proposal to Install Light Displays in Various Locations at an Estimated Cost to the Town of Approximately \$150,000.

Laurel Prevetti, Town Manager, presented the item.

Mayor Jensen opened public comment.

Catherine Somers, Los Gatos Chamber of Commerce

 Commented in support of the item and presented slides of the proposed light displays and their locations.

Susan Testa, Romanitques

Commented in support of the item.

Niki Jaimes, Vagabond Marketing and Experience LG

- Commented in support of the item.

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Other Business Item #5 - continued

Randi Chen, Los Gatos Chamber of Commerce

 Commented in support of the item and presented a cost comparison of rent, rent to own, and purchase of the light displays.

David MacGregor-Scholes, Redemption and Los Gatos Chamber of Commerce

- Commented in support of the item.

### **Judy Peterson**

- Commented in support of the item.

## **Ginger Rowe**

- Commented in support of the item.

#### Maria Ristow

Commented in support of the item.

### Dustin David, Dustin David Salon

- Commented in support of the item.

### Julie Micallef

Commented in support of the item.

Mayor Jensen closed public comment.

Council discussed the item.

MOTION: Motion by Vice Mayor Spector to install light displays in various locations throughout Los Gatos at an estimated cost to the Town of approximately \$150,000 and direct staff to provide an update to the Council regarding costs and other project issues at the next Council meeting on October 6<sup>th</sup>. Seconded by Council Member Rennie.

### **VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

6. Discuss the Police Department Budget and Provide Direction for Potential Reforms to Practices, Service Delivery, Oversight, and Related Matters.

Laurel Prevetti, Town Manager, presented the item.

Mayor Jensen opened public comment.

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Other Business Item #6 - continued

#### Terry Duryea

 Commented in support of some form of police oversight and requested the Council consider less militaristic uniforms.

### David-MacGregor Scholes, Redemption

- Commented in support of providing non-armed first responders for homeless and mental health calls for service.

### Jeffrey Suzuki

 Commented in support of providing non-armed, health professionals as first responders for homeless and mental health calls for service.

Mayor Jensen closed public comment.

Council discussed the item.

**MOTION: Motion** by **Mayor Jensen** to direct staff to pursue a model of police oversight and authorize the Town Manager to work with Judge Cordell to develop ideas to be reported to Council. **Seconded** by **Council Member Rennie.** 

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION: Motion** by **Mayor Jensen** to direct staff to pursue increased transparency and data accessibility by the public, including reporting stop statistics and apples-to-apples data comparisons with other jurisdictions, and to report findings to Council. **Seconded** by **Vice Mayor Spector.** 

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION: Motion** by **Mayor Jensen** to Jensen to direct staff to investigate the use of non-sworn personnel including ramifications for staffing and budgeting and to report findings to Council. Seconded by **Vice Mayor Spector.** 

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION: Motion** by **Mayor Jensen** to direct staff to explore mental health and social services options and to report findings to Council. **Seconded** by **Council Member Sayoc.** 

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

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7. Approve an Addendum to the Police Officers' Association Memorandum of Understanding and Revisions to the Police Classifications within the Temporary Classification Plan.

Lisa Velasco, Human Resources Director, presented the item.

Mayor Jensen opened public comment.

No one spoke.

Mayor Jensen closed public comment.

Council discussed the item.

**MOTION: Motion** by **Council Member Sayoc** to approve an addendum to the Police Officers' Association Memorandum of Understanding and revisions to the police classifications within the temporary classification plan contained in attachments 1 and 3. **Seconded by Council Member Rennie.** 

**VOTE:** Motion passed unanimously.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

Submitted by:	
/s/ Jenna De Long, Deputy Clerk	